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Classified By: Political Officer Todd Huizinga. Reasons 1.4(b/d).

C) We discussed reftel points with Pat Kelly, UN Director in the Irish DFA. Kelly said EU Political Directors had agreed on September 21 that the EU would apply the same criteria to Iranian President Ahmadinejad at the UNGA as were applied at the April 2009 Durban Review Conference: EU member-state representatives would walk out if Ahmadinejad denied the historical reality of the Holocaust, denied Israel's right to exist or engaged in any other overtly racist rhetoric. Kelly told us no EU position had been agreed upon for walking out during Libyan President Qadhafi's speech. Kelly said the German and French PolDirs made clear that they expected good behavior from Qadhafi, but Kelly did not know whether the Germans or French had decided at what point they would walk out. When pressed, Kelly agreed that Ireland would apply the Durban Review criteria to Qadhafi as well, and walk out if he crossed the Durban red lines.

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